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MEDIA ALERT

The North Carolina Museum of History Is Accepting Entries for Longleaf Film Festival 2022



WHAT: The North Carolina Museum of History is now accepting film entries for the eighth annual

Longleaf Film Festival.

WHEN: Rolling deadlines to March 1, 2022.

WHERE: North Carolina Museum of History

5 East Edenton Street, Raleigh, NC 27601

DETAILS: Aaaand, action! The N.C. Museum of History is accepting entries for the eighth

annual <u>Longleaf Film Festival</u> to be held Friday and Saturday, May 13 and 14, 2022. <u>Submissions accepted</u> online by **March 1, 2022**; information available at <u>LongleafFilmFestival.com</u>. Longleaf is free to attend and includes Movies-N-

Moonlight, panels, free popcorn, and terrific independent film, so make your plans now

to attend next May for plenty of film, fun, and community!

Tar Heel Connections

A free-to-attend juried festival that highlights the best of independent film in a place that strives to tell the stories that connect us all—this is Longleaf. Our weekend festival screens films that demonstrate a Tar Heel State connection, through the people involved in making them or through their subject. The North Carolina Museum of History serves as home base for Longleaf Film Festival. As Longleaf enters year eight in 2022, Longleaf continues to grow, even though, due to COVID-19, Longleaf 2020 and Longleaf 2021 became a series of online and live-streamed events. Still, the Longleaf community of filmmakers and film fans helped to promote the art and craft of filmmaking and the passion of film to viewers in Raleigh, the Triangle, and beyond.

Awards and Prizes

"Longleaf is an event where filmmakers and film fans come together to celebrate this historic form of storytelling, and to make connections that create community," says Sally Bloom, co-director of the festival.

Longleaf Film Festival seeks to reflect the diversity of talent and imagination that exists throughout the filmmaking world and—as a place that helps tell the stories that connect us all—we believe that the North Carolina Museum of History, our host, is in a unique position for showcasing those films. Throughout our short history, we have been grateful for the impactful stories regarding race and community that have been told in past festivals. We strongly believe that the art and craft of filmmaking help connect us and offer avenues for insight, as well as entertainment. Longleaf wants to share your stories—all of your stories: animated, documentary, and narrative films; music videos; spoken word productions; and web series. Check the website for fee waiver information!

All narrative festival submissions are eligible for a \$500 Judges' Choice/Narrative Film award; all documentary festival submissions are eligible for a \$500 Judges' Choice/Documentary Film award. All films entered in the Middle and High School Student Film category are eligible for a \$250 Best Student Film award.

For 2022, we are also excited to announce three new awards that support the creative works of filmmakers from historically underrepresented communities: a \$250 American Indian Heritage Celebration Prize for the best film by an Indigenous filmmaker, a \$250 African American Cultural Celebration Prize for the best film by a Black filmmaker, and a Celebrating Latin American Communities Prize for the best film by a Latinx filmmaker.

For all things Longleaf, check out <u>LongleafFilmFestival.com</u> and follow us on social, @LongleafFilmFestival on Facebook and Instagram, and @LongleafFF on Twitter.

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Image – Longleaf Film Festival Graphic 1

Image – Longleaf Film Festival Graphic 2

Image – Longleaf Film Festival Graphic 3

Image – Lovely evening of film at Movies-N-Moonlight

Image – Former Official Selection Filmmakers at Awards Night

Image – All the Ts!

For information about the NC Museum of History, a Smithsonian Affiliate museum, call 919-814-7000 or access <u>ncmuseumofhistory.org</u> or follow the museum on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, or YouTube.

About the NC Museum of History

The North Carolina Museum of History, a Smithsonian Affiliate, fosters a passion for North Carolina history. This museum collects and preserves artifacts of state history and educates the public on the history of the state and the nation through exhibits and educational programs. **Admission is free**. In 2019 more than 465,000 people visited the museum to see some of the 150,000 artifacts in the museum collection. The Museum of History, within the Division of State History Museums, is part of the NC Department of Natural and Cultural Resources.

About the Smithsonian Affiliations Network

Since 2006, the North Carolina Museum of History has been a Smithsonian Affiliate, part of a select group of museums and cultural, educational, and arts organizations that share Smithsonian resources with the nation. The Smithsonian Affiliations network is a national outreach program that develops long-term collaborative partnerships with museums and other educational and cultural organizations to enrich communities with Smithsonian resources. More information is available at affiliations.si.edu.

About the NC Department of Natural and Cultural Resources

The North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources (NCDNCR) is the state agency with a vision to be the leader in using the state's natural and cultural resources to build the social, cultural, educational, and economic future of North Carolina. NCDNCR's mission is to improve the quality of life in our state by creating opportunities to experience excellence in the arts, history, libraries, and natural assets in North Carolina by stimulating learning, inspiring creativity, preserving the state's history, conserving the state's natural heritage, encouraging recreation and cultural tourism, and promoting economic development.

NCDNCR includes 27 historic sites, seven history museums, two art museums, two science museums, three aquariums, and Jennette's Pier, as well as 39 state parks and recreation areas, the North Carolina Zoo, the nation's first state-supported symphonic orchestra, the State Library of North Carolina, the State Archives of North Carolina, the North Carolina Arts Council, the North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office, and the North Carolina Office of State Archaeology, along with the state Division of Land and Water Stewardship. For more information, call 919-814-6800 or visit DNCR.nc.gov.